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Lodge Directory.

M. W. A.—Meade Camp No. 1738, meets
every first third and fifth Monday night
of each month.

JOHN D. WEHRLI, V. C.
JOHN ELLIOTT, Clerk.

A. O. U. W.—Meets on second and fourth
Tuesdays of each month.

D. B. STUTSMAN, M. W.
F. W. FICK, Recorder.

A. F. & A. M.—Webb Lodge No. 275 meets
Saturday night on or before the full moon
of each month.

O. HAMILTON, W. M.
E. F. RIEMAN, Secretary.

Churches.

METHODIST—Services each Sunday at 11
a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting each
Wednesday evening.

REV. W. W. ENYEART, Pastor.
BAPTIST—Services first and second Sun-
days of each month at usual hours.

REV. J. M. ROBINSON, Pastor.

CATHOLIC—Services on notice each month.

REV. JAMES DONOHUE, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN—Services on notice each
month.

REV. A. H. PARKS, Pastor.

Christian Endeavor—Meets every Sunday
evening at 7:30 at Baptist Church.

WINNIE BONHAM, President.

Epworth League—Meets every Sunday night
at M. E. Church at 7:30 p. m.

LULU FICK, President.

OLA FICK, Sec'y.

County Officers.

Representative Geo. W. Wiley
Treasurer Geo. B. Cones
Clerk Frank Wehrle

Probate Judge David Truax
Clerk of Dist. Court John Elliott

Register of Deeds Winnie Bonham
Sheriff F. C. Judd

County Attorney A. T. Bodle Sr.
Supt. Public Instruction J. A. Porterfield

Commissioners John Innis,
John Conrad,
H. E. Hayden.

Convention Dates.

Democratic National Convention, Kansas City
July 4.

Republican National Convention, Philadelphia,
June 19.

Silver Republican National Convention, Kan-
sas City, July 4.

Democratic state convention to elect national
delegates, Wichita, May 23.

Democratic state nominating convention, July
24.

Populist state nominating convention, Fort
Scott, July 24.

Senator Clark resigned his seat in
the Senate, and was immediately re-
appointed by the acting governor of
Montana. He will probably fare
the same as Mr. Quay.

The Cubans will soon begin to
think that the Americans are as big
robbers as the Spaniards, judging
from the recent post-office scandals
on that island.

The government should land every
man connected with the Cuban post-
office steals in the penitentiary, to
set an example for the rest. No
party can survive and cover up ras-
cality and thievery.

The Supreme Court of the United
States decided that Beckham, the
democratic claimant, was the gov-
ernor of Kentucky, that the legisla-
ture had full power to decide the
matter.

The Kansas Republicans renom-
inated the entire state ticket at To-
peka last week. After November it
will be all over for John Breidenbach
is going to lead Mr. Stanley the
merriest chase he ever had. The
recent bed-bug chase won't be in it.

The Republican State convention
of Missouri would not listen to
Webster Davis. Mr. Davis used to
be good enough to speak to Repub-
lican meetings, but he don't go now.
We remember that not so long ago
he was styled "the orator of the Mc-
Kinley Administration". What is
the matter with his oratory now?

As a rule the country newspaper
has too much to do with politics.
This opinion is based upon observa-
tion through twenty years experience
editing the Western Spirit. Time
was, long ago, when dailies and
weekly editions of large city papers
were read by the people, that the
country paper was expected to de-
vote four or five columns a week to
expounding party issues and prin-
ciples. But things are different to-
day. The great dailies nearly cover
the field politically, and, besides
them, there are magazines devoted
almost wholly to politics.

In fact the evolution of journalism
has reached a point where the coun-
try weekly is practically eliminated
as a force in shaping party policy in
state and national issues, and the
people look to it only as a factor in
local matters. This does not mean
that the country newspaper is less

important than it used to be, but
rather that it has risen to a plane of
more importance to its locality. The
great dailies and their valuable, ye
very cheap, weekly and twice-a-week
editions, serve the people on nation-
al and state politics, but they can't
serve them on local politics. Then
the field is widened for the local pa-
per to which the public looks for
political information on home mat-
ters—things in which you are per-
sonally interested.

After all, politics constitute but a
small fraction in the sum of man's
happiness, prosperity and usefulness
and as the local paper is nearest to
him and to his interests of all he
reads, it should be more than a
mere partisan organ. Its columns
should be filled with matter that
brings it in touch with all the house-
hold, most of whom care very little,
if any, about politics and parties.
Of course, every local paper should
affiliate with and support the local
party that comes the nearest to pro-
mulgating the political belief of the
editor; it should stand for some po-
litical organization and be what it
is it should be loyal to the principles
for which it stands and its general
course should be such that every
reader knows just where to find it;
and, in short, it should never be all
things to all men. But it should be
all this and yet have little to do with
politics in a merely partisan sense,
or to the extent of filling two or
three columns a week that could be
better used for local news matter.—
Paola Spirit.

Kansas National Bank Sold.

(From the Wichita Eagle, May 5.)
Yesterday afternoon the Kansas
National bank of this city, one of
the largest and best known institu-
tions in the entire west, changed
hands.

A combination which owns banks
all over Kansas, of which Dr. W. S.
Woods, of Kansas City, is the head,
purchased the bank and the Kansas
National is now part of one of the
strongest banking organizations in
the world.

The new members of the bank or-
ganized at once with the following
officers:

President—C. Q. Chandler.

First Vice President—E. E. Mas-
terman.

Second Vice President—J. W.
Berrymann.

Cashier—Elsberry Martin.

Assistant Cashier—Chas. Testard.

Years ago Dr. Woods, of Kansas
City, lived at Rochepot, Missouri.

He went into the banking business
and is now a very rich man, and is
one of the great bankers of the na-
tion. He had a number of nephews,
and as these grew up he took them
into the banking business with him.

The banks now run by nephews of
Dr. Woods are as follows:

Citizens' State Bank, Medicine
Lodge.

Stock Growers', Ashland.

National Bank of Commerce, Gar-
net.

State Bank, Humboldt.

State Bank, Meade.

First National Bank, Carlsbad,
New Mexico.

Kansas National Bank, Wichita.

C. Q. Chandler, the new president
of the Kansas National at Wichita,
is a nephew of Dr. Woods, and has
been in charge of the bank at Medi-
cine Lodge. He is a young man.

He was born in Rochepot, Mo.,
and in 1883 moved to Elk City, and
in 1889 he moved to Medicine
Lodge. During his residence in
that city he has been a frequent vi-
sitor at Wichita and is known to
many people here. He is a busi-
ness man through and through, cap-
able, thorough, shrewd and public
spirited. His connection with a
Wichita institution means a great
deal to this city, and he will at once
be recognized as a power in the
further upbuilding of the city and as
one of the leaders in movements for
the advantages of Wichita. He will
be heartily welcomed here and will
readily find a greater field for his
banking genius.

E. E. Masterman is at present
cashier of the Bank of Commerce at
Garret, Kansas.

J. W. Berrymann, who is second
vice president of the Kansas National
is vice president of the Stock
Growers' bank at Ashland, Kansas.

The condition and history of the
Kansas National bank is well known.
Its capital is \$100,000 and its de-
posits now in excess of half a million
dollars. It has weathered all the
panics of the past and has ripened
into a stable, sound concern.

Standard bred horse will stand at
the Ragland barn in Meade on Fri-
day and Saturday of each week, the
rest of the week at my place 4 miles
from town.

Terms—\$6 to insure with foal.

J. M. BRANNAN, Prop.

A. W. Callender desires to call
the attention of the general public to
the fact that he can be found at the
old Baxter stand at all hours,
prepared to do blacksmithing, wood-
work, painting, and practical horse-
shoeing in a first class manner. I
ask your patronage and thus assist
me, our town, and yourselves as
well. Give me a trial and be con-
vinced. All work done on short
notice.

A. W. CALLENDAR, Prop.,
Meade, Kansas.

Our Correspondents.

ODEE ITEMS.

MARRIED—Sunday morning im-
mediately after preaching ser-
vices at Odee Mr. Jake Cordes
and Miss Sophia Kragh were
united in marriage by Rev. Esch-
bach. It was a pretty wedding
and took place at the stone school
house. After the happy couple
left church they were followed
by a large crowd who were all in-
vited to the bride's home, where
they all joined in wishing the
estimable couple a happy and
prosperous journey through life.
Dutch was present, but again
congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Cor-
des and wishes them much joy
and happiness.

Photographer Johnson was
in Odee Sunday and took a
picture of the newly married
couple and also of those that were
present at the bride's home.

Henry Koster is going to buy
some cattle and start a ranch.

Mrs. Kragh has bought a new
top buggy.

Mr. Gruemken is going to
shear his sheep next week for
the last time, as he is going out
of the business.

Herman Feldman is working
at Ben Cordes' in his brother
Louis' place.

Herman Weibalk has been sick
a few days this week but is now
getting better.

DUTCH.

ARTESIAN ITEMS.

We failed to appear last week
for the reason that there was noth-
ing worth telling. The editor's
last say had nothing to do with it
as some may suppose. In fact we
consider the move proper and all
that saved us from annihilation.

B. F. Cox has gone to Wichita
to attend the democratic conven-
tion.

Howard Norman had quite a
smash-up at Marrs' last week.

The broncho was driving changed
ends very suddenly, breaking the
tongue and one front wheel
of the spring wagon but the usual
skyward tap was omitted this time.

A Sunday school picnic is talk-
ed of for the 4th of July at some
point near Wilburn. The Ar-
tesian S. S. has been invited to attend.

Will Sourbeer returned from
his vacation last Wednesday.

Mr. Cline-Smith, who lately
purchased a farm adjoining Mr.
Edwards, has seeded a large por-
tion to alfalfa and will be reckon-
ed among the hay men some time
in the future.

The Angus cattle purchased
by Jno. Norman and Geo. Allen
arrived last Wednesday. They
are as black as a rainy midnight
and have coats like silk.

Frank Marrs was in Fowler
Monday.

R. L. Sawyer went to Meade
Monday returning Tuesday.

Strawberries are now ripe but
our trees are not loaded, will
some one please invite us to help
devour some of the juicy fruit?

Alfalfa cutting has begun on
the Sawyer ranch. A fine crop,
needs only a little sunshine to
make it ready for the stack.

John Elason and Roy Erickson
are said to be the highest jump-
ers in Meade county. They never
stop in their upward springs
only when a toe catches under a
clothes line or when the cold air
drives them down.

If we don't get some sunshine
pretty soon there will be a com-
plete failure of the freckle crop
and our best girl will not know
herself when she looks in the glass.

IKE.

BELLE MEADE ITEMS.

This section of the county has
been handed over to C. E. for
news gathering. We will endeav-
or to go 'er straight and though
the list may not be so long as
some others, but please consider
the quality and that it is all the
same price.

Chicken-pox has been pester-
ing some of our people and scar-
ing the rest nearly to death.

Frank Truax has had a case of it.

Miss Mary Palmer, of Fowler,
visited at Jno. Blair's Sunday.

Miss P. took charge of one of the
classes in Sunday school.

Elliott Henry is again rolling
dirt in the neighborhood. He is
plowing for J. H. Randolph at
present.

John Sensney and Miss Wor-
man were at S. S. Sunday. Miss

W.'s younger sister accompanied
them. It had been a long time
since John was seen in this neigh-
borhood and many friends were
glad to see him.

Chas. Edwards now runs two
plows. This is something like
business, Charlie.

Twenty-nine at S. S. and not
nearly all out either. This is en-
couraging and the and the reason
of it all is that the Christians are
working in unity.

Several of Blair's folks attended
church services at Meade Sunday
night. They say that they heard
a good sermon.

B. E. Crane is making some
screen frames for the Congrega-
tional church at Fowler.

Ladies and Gentlemen—Thank-
ing you for your kind attention,
we are,

Yours truly,
C. E.

FOWLER NEWS.

In last issue we neglected, a
through a tardy report, to say
there was a new baby in town
last week at the home of Will
Green. Mother and son doing
well and Will expects him to vote
for Bryan in 1921.

The spell is broken, for the
proverbial seven Sundays' rain
following a wet Easter failed to
materialize last Sunday and we
now look for a little dust to fly.

Walter Burford and son Henry
moved a house for Wm. Ellis last
Tuesday, despite the mud and
water.

We have heard of love driving
people insane, and making them
blind, crossing deep rivers and
climbing mountains, scorning
distance and laughing at adversi-
ty, but we never knew it to make
a fellow lose his hat. What on
earth a man could be doing with
his hands is a puzzle. The hands
we understand were made to
hold on with—onto your hat, if
the wind blows.

Sim Burford left Monday for
Nevada, Mo., where he will take
magnetic treatment from Dr.
Weltner, of that place. From
there he will visit relatives at
Syracuse and then return to
Hutchinson to attend Reno county
Normal. His sweetheart accom-
panied him as far as Minneola.

B. F. Cox left very suddenly
Monday morning for the east,
taking his little hand-bag along,
which caused some to conjecture
that maybe Uncle Ben had seen
the error of his way and finally
concluded to seek a better half.

The Fowler band is brushing up
preparatory to giving him and
the choice of his heart a rousing
reception on their return. Ben
claims he is going to the Demo-
cratic convention at Wichita.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson were
pleasant callers at Marion Nett's
Sunday.

Miss Edna Roberts, of Mineola,
was a visitor at Walter Burford's
last week.

Miss Minnie Edwards was a
pleasant caller in the city last
week.

Dr. Fee was in the city Thurs-
day last.

The fish will all suffer now as
the Fowler Consolidated Fin
Chasers Co. have purchased an
immense net with which they are
seining all the bull frogs and
lucky bugs out of the creek near
the dam.

Ernest Johnson has resigned
his apprenticeship at Jim Brock's.

Quite a crowd of young folks
visited at Mr. Burford's Sunday
to have a little farewell before
Sim left. They report lots of
fun and that the crowd had their
pictures struck as a remem-
brance of the fun boat-riding.

The boys took a notion last
Thursday night to serenade the
town, which they did in a very
credible manner. Nothing
sounds so sweet as to be awak-
ened from midnight slumbers by
sonorous strains of music. Give
us another treat, boys, in the
future.

Messrs. Sims and Hodges went
to Meade Saturday.

Rosa Nett was visiting her
brother Frank Monday night.

Pete Craig, the stalwart farm-
er from the west, was doing busi-
ness in town Friday.

Mary Palmer returned Friday
from Ashland, where she had
been as a delegate to the Chris-
tian Endeavor convention.

The Fowler school will give a
closing entertainment at the M.
E. church, Friday night, May 25.
Everybody invited to attend.

The chinch bug continues to
do business in good form and
some fears are entertained that
he may do the harvesting this
year.

Elliott Henry was transacting
business in the city Monday.

Sam Turner was missed from
town all day Sunday but showed
up Monday morning all o. k. He
talks of getting a buggy as a bi-
cycle is a nuisance on Sunday.

CRACKERJACK.

From the Philippines.

Damunjugon, Cebu Island Feb. 28, 1900.

In Kitchen, Officers Headquarters.

Mr. Dave Mackey,

Dear Sir—As Pete is going to write to
you, I thought I would drop you a few lines
to let you know that I am well and hope you
are the same, also your family. Pete is the
officers chief cook now and has been for some
time. I will not tell you any news for Pete
will do that. Will feel very grateful to you
if you will tell my parents you have heard
from us, also our friends. We are in good
quarters, have good grub and have whipped
everything on the island, so far. Well, Pete
has come now and I will stop. Hoping this
will find you all well, I remain,

Yours as ever,

BROTHER BUIS,

Co. I, 44th U. S. V. Inf.

Well Dave, you and wife and children are
same as brother and sister to me. I hope
this will find you all as well as I am. Now I
am going to tell you about our sights and
scenery. Now if you want to see the actions
of people here, go back in the Bible 400 years
look at the people and their dress and their
knives which are called bolos for war; their
guns are wooden the same as ours with a
large spear on the end of it. They use blow
guns, the gun is about 3 feet long and what
we would call a pop-gun; the arrow is about
3 inches long with a fuzz on the end like cot-
ton and is very light and substantial with a
light steel point 2 inches in length as sharp
as a needle and three-cornered. They can
shoot 25 yards very good, almost as good as
we can with a rifle. There is not more than
200 rifles now in the hands of the natives.
This island is 80 miles in length, the widest
place is 22 miles with average of 16 miles.
In going across it over the mountains and
foot-paths and crooks we make the nearest
points in 60 miles the way we have to go.
We are now in quarters and maybe we will
be here for a year. All we have to do is keep
the citizens guarded who asked our help to
keep back the insurgents and robbers and
take a hike over the mountains once a month
and be gone a week or ten days. All the
natives here live in Bamboo shacks from 6 to
16 in a shack. There are about 300,000
people on the island and about one-tenth of
them insurgents. But everything is quiet at
the present time, the talk is that the war is
over with, there is a bay between Cebu and
Negros island about 10 miles wide. Negros
island is about two times as large as Cebu.
The 1st battalion is stationed there and they
will keep things quiet on that island.

Now then I will tell you something about
trading. We can only buy bananas, eggs,
chickens, coconut, now drinks tuba, beno,
tuba is a drink also beno, eggs 2
ducados, chickens 16 ducados. 8 ducados make
an American nickel, Mexican money 16
ducados. All the money we have here ducados
worth 1/4 of a cent American. Their 5-cent
piece is called amadia preceda. The preceda
is their dime. Amadia peso is 50c Mexican
25c American. Peso is their dollar or 50c
American. Our beef comes from Australia
and looks exactly like our Jersey cows and
about the same size. The carabou is some-
thing like the sacred ox and is the water bu-
falo. There is no game here except wild
chickens and big snakes. Cobra snakes,
whip snakes and the large lizard which look
like an alligator, moccasins and panther and in
some parts small deer and small birds. But
sea shells of all descriptions, some are very
nice. Later on I will fix up a small box of
the nicest and send you a present. Our na-
tives they simply work and grow tobacco,
cane, hemp, the finest in the world. They
make their own clothes, weave everything
themselves. There is about 1 in 50 that has
a carabou and a cart, the rest of them are
bare-handed and a-foot. The carabou and
cart is worth about \$50 and it is a rich Fili-
pino that has one. All work is done by the
women and the men have nothing to say
about anything. There marriage is similar
to that of an Indian. The wealthy ones are
married by priests and it costs them \$10. The
poor ones only promise to keep their women
on "sow-sow" which means grub. When-
ever they can't keep her in grub she quits
him and goes home. The average size of the
men is about of Dickie Buis, the girls are
about the size of Hattie Rhodes. The wom-
en wear long straight hair done up in old
style on the back of their head and when
down comes to their hips. The men wear
short hair and no beard. All the natives
hair is black. They are well built but not
very stout. Tell all the boys and girls that I
have not got stuck on any Filipino woman
yet. I can't talk to them or the men either.
Good night to one and all. My regards to
everybody.

PETER HOTZ.

Remember that the News prints
visiting cards. We have all the lat-
est styles. Call and have some
printed.

For children's hats see Mrs.
Wehrle's stock.

BARNEY KING

BARNEY KING was sired by
Middlemarch 6929. Middlemarch
was sired by Macey, son of Geo.
Wilkes, dam of Middlemarch was
Bell by Mambrino Pilo 29, 2nd
Lady Prewitt by Iron Duke, 3rd
dam Fanny Prewitt by

Eriasson, son of Mambrino
Eric 11, 4th dam Woodbine by
imported Woodford. She was
dam of Membrino 2:12 1/2 and
and Wagewood 2:19. Trotting
horse, dark bay, 9 years old and
weighs 1400 pounds. Will stand
at Meade on Saturdays of each
week balance of the time at my
place 4 miles south of Meade.

TERMS—\$6 to insure mare with
foal, \$4 for season. If mare is
traded, parted with, sold or re-
moved from original locality, the
service money becomes due and
payable at once. A lien on mare
and foal will be held for insur-
ance money. Care will be taken
to prevent accidents but will not
be responsible should any occur.

R. W. ORR.

METROPOLITAN BARBER SHOP

SHAMHART & ROBERTS, PROPS.

CLEAN TOWELS

KEEN RAZORS

All Styles of Haircutting.

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Hides bought and sold.

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Grinds all kinds of grain.

West side square. MEADE, KAS.

W. C. OSGOOD, Jr.

Painter - and - Paperhanger.

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